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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Steinman et al. Docket No.: MER011CT
 Serial No.: 10/047,072 Filed: January 15, 2002
 Examiner: Gerald R. Ewoldt Art Unit: 1644
 Customer No.: 43852 Confirmation No.: 7452
 For: *Method and Compositions for Obtaining Mature Dendritic Cells*

Date: February 28, 2006

Via Facsimile to: 571-273-8300

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified patent application.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.
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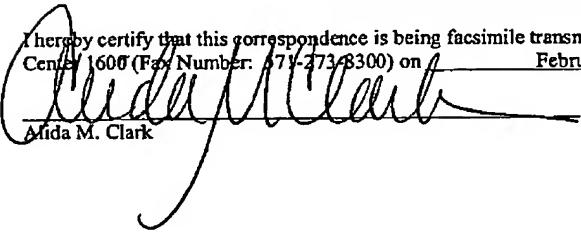


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Date Filed:	January 15, 2002	Conf. No.	7452
Docket No.	MER011CT	Cust. No.	43852
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated *November 29, 2005* (hereinafter "Office Action"), please reconsider the above-identified application (hereinafter "Application") in light of the following remarks:

Listing of the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on *page 2* of this paper.

Remarks begin on *page 4* of this paper.